

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 16 with the following paragraph.

“An oxygen-containing gas inlet (oxygen-containing gas supply port) 56a for allowing the oxygen-containing gas such as a gas containing oxygen or air to pass therethrough, and a fuel gas inlet 58a for allowing the fuel gas such as a hydrogen-containing gas to pass therethrough, each of which has a lengthy shape in the vertical direction, are provided at upper portions of the both end edges of the short sides 55b of the first separator 34 respectively. An oxygen-containing gas outlet (oxygen-containing gas discharge port) 56b and a fuel gas outlet 58b, each of which has a lengthy shape in the vertical direction, are provided so that they are disposed at diagonal positions with respect to the oxygen-containing gas inlet 56a and the fuel gas inlet 58a at lower portions of the both end edges of the ~~shorts sides~~ short side 55b of the first separator 34 respectively.”

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 15 with the following paragraph.

“As shown in FIG. 9, the first conductive plate 82 is designed to have approximately the same shape as that of the second separator 36, i.e., have a rectangular configuration. An oxygen-containing gas inlet 100a, a fuel gas inlet 102a, an oxygen-containing gas outlet 100b, and a fuel gas outlet 102b are provided at mutually diagonal positions respectively at both end edge portions on the short side. Four cooling medium inlets 104a to ~~10d~~ 104d and four cooling medium outlets 104e to 104h are provided at lower and upper portions on the long side of the first conductive plate 82 respectively. Holes 63 for inserting tie rods therethrough are formed at six positions corresponding to the spaces therebetween.”

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 22 with the following paragraph.

“First cooling medium flow passage grooves 124a to 124d which communicate with the cooling medium inlets 70a to 70d of the second separator 36, and second cooling medium flow passage grooves 124e to 124h which communicate with the cooling medium outlets 70e to 70h of the second separator 36 are provided on the inner surface 24a of the ~~first~~ second end plate 24 so that they are lengthy in the horizontal direction and each of them has a predetermined depth. Each of the first cooling medium flow passage grooves 124a to 124d

communicates with ends of twelve first grooves 126a. The first grooves 126a extend upwardly in parallel to one another. After that, two of the first grooves 126a are merged into each of second grooves 126b. Two of the second grooves 126b are merged into each of third grooves 126c which communicate with a cooling medium-introducing port 128.”